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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

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**MATTHEW J. DYKMAN**  
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

**KIRBY CLEVELAND,**

Defendant.

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**PLEA AGREEMENT**

Pursuant to Rule 11, Fed. R. Crim. P., the parties notify the Court of the following agreement between the United States Attorney for the District of New Mexico, the Defendant, KIRBY CLEVELAND, and the Defendant's counsel, Donald Kochersberger:

**REPRESENTATION BY COUNSEL**

1. The Defendant understands the Defendant's right to be represented by an attorney and is so represented. The Defendant has thoroughly reviewed all aspects of this case with the Defendant's attorney and is fully satisfied with that attorney's legal representation.

**RIGHTS OF THE DEFENDANT**

2. The Defendant further understands the Defendant's rights:
- a. to plead not guilty, or having already so pleaded, to persist in that plea;
  - b. to have a trial by jury; and
  - c. at a trial:
    - 1) to confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses,
    - 2) to be protected from compelled self-incrimination,

- 3) to testify and present evidence on the Defendant's own behalf, and
- 4) to compel the attendance of witnesses for the defense.

**WAIVER OF RIGHTS AND PLEA OF GUILTY**

3. The Defendant agrees to waive these rights and to plead guilty to count 2 of the indictment charging a violation of 18 U.S.C. 113(a)(6), that being assault resulting in serious bodily injury.

**SENTENCING**

4. The Defendant understands that the maximum penalty the Court can impose is:
  - a. imprisonment for a period of up to ten years;
  - b. a fine not to exceed the greater of \$250,000 or twice the pecuniary gain to the defendant or pecuniary loss to the victim;
  - c. a mandatory term of supervised release up to 3 years. (If the Defendant serves a term of imprisonment, is then released on supervised release, and violates the conditions of supervised release, the Defendant's supervised release could be revoked -- even on the last day of the term -- and the Defendant could then be returned to another period of incarceration and a new term of supervised release.);
  - d. a mandatory special penalty assessment of \$100.00; and
  - e. restitution as may be ordered by the Court.

5. The parties recognize that the federal sentencing guidelines are advisory, and that the Court is required to consider them in determining the sentence it imposes.

6. The parties agree that, as part of the Defendant's sentence, the Court will enter an order of restitution pursuant to the Mandatory Victim's Restitution Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3663A.

7. The United States reserves the right to make known to the United States Pretrial Services and Probation Office and to the Court, for inclusion in the presentence report to be prepared under Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 32 any information the United States believes may be helpful to the Court, including but not limited to information about any relevant conduct under U.S.S.G. § 1B1.3.

**DEFENDANT'S ADMISSION OF FACTS**

8. By my signature on this plea agreement, I am acknowledging that I am pleading guilty because I am, in fact, guilty of the offense to which I am pleading guilty. I recognize and accept responsibility for my criminal conduct. Moreover, in pleading guilty, I acknowledge that if I chose to go to trial instead of entering this plea, the United States could prove facts sufficient to establish my guilt of the offense(s) to which I am pleading guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. I specifically admit the following facts related to the charges against me, and declare under penalty of perjury that all of these facts are true and correct:

**I, Kirby Cleveland, on May 14, 2012, was working at the rodeo grounds near Casemero Lake. People who I could not identify drove near my location and threatened me. I went to a nearby residence and saw I pickup truck that I believe was the same vehicle that was driven by the people who had threatened me. I knocked on the door of the residence and was struck on the head. A fight ensued during which I unlawfully caused serious bodily injury to one of the people in the house. For purposes of federal law, I am an Indian and these events occurred in Indian Country.**

9. By signing this agreement, the Defendant admits that there is a factual basis for each element of the crime(s) to which the Defendant will plead guilty. The Defendant agrees that

the Court may rely on any of these facts, as well as facts in the presentence report, to determine the Defendant's sentence, including, but not limited to, the advisory guideline offense level.

### **STIPULATIONS**

10. The United States and the Defendant stipulate as follows:
  - a. The United States has made an AGREEMENT pursuant to Rule 11(c)(1)(C), Fed.R.Crim.P., that a specific sentence 2 years (24 months) imprisonment is the appropriate term of incarceration in this case. In addition, the Court may order a fine not to exceed \$250,000.00, a term of supervised release of up to three (3) years, a mandatory special penalty assessment and restitution. Defendant may not seek a downward departure, variance, or deviation of any kind from the agreed upon sentencing range. If the Court rejects this agreement to the specific sentence stated above, the Defendant shall have the right to withdraw his plea of guilty.
  - b. If the Court accepts the plea agreement, it must inform the defendant that to the extent the plea agreement is of the type specified in Rule 11(c)(1)(C), the agreed disposition will be included in the judgment and the request binds the Court once the Court accepts the plea agreement..
  - c. Except under circumstances where the Court, acting on its own, fails to accept this plea agreement, the Defendant agrees that, upon the Defendant's signing of this plea agreement, the facts that the Defendant has admitted under this plea agreement as set forth above, as well as any facts to which the Defendant admits in open court at the Defendant's plea hearing, shall be

admissible against the Defendant under Federal Rule of Evidence 801(d)(2)(A) in any subsequent proceeding, including a criminal trial, and the Defendant expressly waives the Defendant's rights under Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11(f) and Federal Rule of Evidence 410 with regard to the facts the Defendant admits in conjunction with this plea agreement.

**DEFENDANT'S ADDITIONAL OBLIGATIONS**

11. The Defendant understands the Defendant's obligation to provide the United States Pretrial Services and Probation Office with truthful, accurate, and complete information. The Defendant represents that the Defendant has complied with and will continue to comply with this obligation.

**WAIVER OF APPEAL RIGHTS**

12. The Defendant is aware that 28 U.S.C. § 1291 and 18 U.S.C. § 3742 afford a Defendant the right to appeal a conviction and the sentence imposed. Acknowledging that, the Defendant knowingly waives the right to appeal the Defendant's conviction(s) and any sentence, including any fine, at or under the maximum statutory penalty authorized by law. In addition, the Defendant agrees to waive any collateral attack to the Defendant's conviction(s) and any sentence, including any fine, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 2241, 2255, or any other extraordinary writ, except on the issue of counsel's ineffective assistance in negotiating or entering this plea or this waiver.

**GOVERNMENT'S AGREEMENT**

13. Provided that the Defendant fulfills the Defendant's obligations as set out above, the United States agrees that:

- a. Following sentencing, the United States will move to dismiss the remaining counts in the indictment as to this defendant.

b. The United States will not bring additional criminal charges against the Defendant arising out of the facts forming the basis of the present information.

14. This agreement is limited to the United States Attorney's Office for the District of New Mexico and does not bind any other federal, state, or local agencies or prosecuting authorities.

**VOLUNTARY PLEA**

15. The Defendant agrees and represents that this plea of guilty is freely and voluntarily made and is not the result of force, threats, or promises (other than the promises set forth in this agreement). There have been no promises from anyone as to what sentence the Court will impose. The Defendant also represents that the Defendant is pleading guilty because the Defendant is in fact guilty.

**VIOLATION OF PLEA AGREEMENT**

16. The Defendant agrees that if the Defendant violates any provision of this agreement, the United States may declare this agreement null and void, and the Defendant will thereafter be subject to prosecution for any criminal violation, including but not limited to any crime(s) or offense(s) contained in or related to the charges in this case, as well as perjury, false statement, obstruction of justice, and any other crime committed by the Defendant during this prosecution.

**SPECIAL ASSESSMENT**

17. At the time of sentencing, the Defendant will tender to the United States District Court, District of New Mexico, 333 Lomas Blvd. NW, Suite 270, Albuquerque, New Mexico

87102, a money order or certified check payable to the order of the **United States District Court** in the amount of \$100 in payment of the special penalty assessment described above.

**ENTIRETY OF AGREEMENT**

18. This document is a complete statement of the agreement in this case and may not be altered unless done so in writing and signed by all parties. The parties agree and stipulate that this Agreement will be considered part of the record of defendant's guilty plea hearing as if the entire Agreement had been read into the record of the proceeding. This agreement is effective upon signature by defendant and an Assistant United States Attorney.

AGREED TO AND SIGNED this 18<sup>7</sup> day of July, 2013.

KENNETH J. GONZALES  
United States Attorney

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I am KIRBY CLEVELAND'S attorney. I have carefully discussed every part of this Agreement with my client. Further, I have fully advised my client of his rights, of possible defenses, of the sentencing factors set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a), of the relevant Sentencing Guidelines provisions, and of the consequences of entering into this Agreement. To my knowledge, my client's decision to enter into this Agreement is an informed and voluntary one.

DONALD KOCHERSBERGER

Attorney for the Defendant

This Agreement has been read to me in the language I understand best, and I have carefully discussed every part of it with my attorney. I understand the terms of this Agreement, and I voluntarily agree to those terms. My attorney has advised me of my rights, of possible defenses, of the sentencing factors set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a), of the relevant Sentencing Guidelines provisions, and of the consequences of entering into this Agreement. No promises or inducements have been given to me other than those contained in this agreement. No one has threatened or forced me in any way to enter into this Agreement. Finally, I am satisfied with the representation of my attorney in this matter.



KIRBY CLEVELAND  
Defendant